

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-20 (cancelled)

Claim 21 (new) A handle shroud for use with a double-ended wrench having a twisted handle configuration, said handle shroud being externally formed substantially non-twisted and to substantially cover at least a portion of the twisted handle of said double-ended wrench so as to improve user comfort and ergonomics, said handle shroud further being formed at least partially hollow and comprising an elongated opening at each end thereof with each said elongated opening having a predetermined direction of elongation, the direction of elongation of one said opening being substantially perpendicular to the direction of elongation of the other said opening, and, each said end further being formed substantially tapered with the tapering of one said end being formed substantially perpendicular to the tapering of the other said end.

Claim 22 (new) A handle shroud of claim 21, wherein said handle shroud is formed from a mold tool.

Claim 23 (new) A handle shroud of claim 21, wherein said handle shroud is formed to be fixedly attached to said elongated handle of said wrench.

Claim 24 (new) A handle shroud of claim 21, wherein said handle shroud is formed as a single unit comprising two interconnecting halves joined by a hinge.

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Claim 25 (new) A handle shroud of claim 21, wherein said handle shroud is formed comprising at least two separate interconnecting parts.

Claim 26 (new) A handle shroud of claim 22, wherein said handle shroud is formed to be fixedly attached to said elongated handle of said wrench.

Claim 27 (new) A handle shroud of claim 22, wherein said handle shroud is formed as a single unit comprising two interconnecting halves joined by a hinge.

Claim 28 (new) A handle shroud of claim 22, wherein said handle shroud is formed comprising at least two separate interconnecting parts.

Claim 29 (new) A double-ended wrench comprising:
an elongated handle formed with at least a portion thereof being twisted about an imaginary longitudinal axis, a first wrench head positioned at one end of said wrench and a second wrench head positioned at the other end thereof, each said wrench head having an orifice with an imaginary axis of wrench rotation, said first wrench head being positioned relative to said second wrench head whereas the axis of wrench rotation of said first wrench head is substantially perpendicular to the axis of wrench rotation of said second wrench head, said twisted elongated wrench handle comprising a first handle portion connecting to said first wrench head, and a second handle portion connecting to said second wrench head, each said handle portion having an elongated cross-sectional shape when viewed in a cross-sectional plane perpendicular to said longitudinal axis,

each said cross-sectional shape being elongated in a predetermined direction, and, said first handle portion being positioned relative to said second handle portion whereas the cross-sectional shape of said first handle portion is elongated in a direction substantially perpendicular to the direction in which the cross-sectional shape of said second handle portion is elongated; and,

A handle shroud being externally formed substantially non-twisted and to substantially cover at least a portion of the twisted handle of said double-ended wrench so as to improve user comfort and ergonomics, said handle shroud further being formed at least partially hollow and comprising an elongated opening at each end thereof with each said elongated opening having a predetermined direction of elongation, the direction of elongation of one said opening being substantially perpendicular to the direction of elongation of the other said opening, and, each said end further being formed substantially tapered with the tapering of one said end being formed substantially perpendicular to the tapering of the other said end.

Claim 30 (new) A handle shroud of claim 29, wherein said handle shroud is formed from a mold tool.

Claim 31 (new) A handle shroud of claim 29, wherein said handle shroud is formed to be fixedly attached to said elongated handle of said wrench.

Claim 32 (new) A handle shroud of claim 29, wherein said handle shroud is formed as a single unit comprising two interconnecting halves joined by a hinge.

Claim 33 (new) A handle shroud of claim 29, wherein said handle shroud is formed comprising at least two separate interconnecting parts.

Claim 34 (new) A handle shroud of claim 30, wherein said handle shroud is formed to be fixedly attached to said elongated handle of said wrench.

Claim 35 (new) A handle shroud of claim 30, wherein said handle shroud is formed as a single unit comprising two interconnecting halves joined by a hinge.

Claim 36 (new) A handle shroud of claim 30, wherein said handle shroud is formed comprising at least two separate interconnecting parts.